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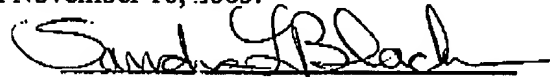
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**STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

A personal interview was conducted between Applicant's representatives and the Examiner on October 26, 2005. Claim 29 was discussed. Warren and Bays et al. were discussed. Applicant's representatives discussed changes to the claims regarding the flexibility of the head deforming in use. The Examiner and Applicant's representatives discussed the objections to defining the angle of the head to the shaft of the device. The Examiner explained the position that the angle of the head can only be described during use and not as a positive structural limitation. Applicant's representatives respectfully disagreed with the Examiner's position.

It is requested that this document be made of record in the above-identified application.

Respectfully submitted,

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